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PALATINE MAN SENTENCED TO 140 MONTHS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR ILLEGALLY DISTRIBUTING CRACK COCAINE NEAR HAMPSHIRE

ROCKFORD -- PATRICK J. FITZGERALD, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois; RICHARD W. SANDERS, Special Agent-In-Charge of the Chicago Office of the Drug Enforcement Administration; DUANE E. WIRTH, Boone County Sheriff; RICHARD A. MEYERS, Winnebago County Sheriff; STEVEN PUGH, Chief of the Rockford Police Department; and JAN NOBLE, Chief of the Belvidere Police Department, today made the following announcement:

United States District Judge Philip G. Reinhard today sentenced BOBBY ROBINSON, 21 (DOB: 10/26/1983), of 1936 Cambridge Court, Palatine, Illinois, to 140 months in federal prison without parole for distributing "crack" cocaine.

Robinson pleaded guilty on May 13, 2005. In pleading guilty, Robinson admitted that on October 23, 2003, he sold an individual 60.7 grams of crack cocaine. Specifically, Robinson admitted that beginning on October 16, 2003, he began telephone conversations with an individual to attempt set up the purchase of 2 and 1/4 ounces of crack cocaine. According to the plea agreement, after obtaining the crack cocaine from his supplier, Robinson met with the individual and an undercover agent on October 23, 2003, in the parking lot of a truck stop near Hampshire, Illinois, where he sold the individual the crack cocaine.

In addition to 140 months in prison, the court ordered Robinson to serve 5 years of supervised release following his release from prison. As a special condition of supervised release the court ordered Robinson to repay to the United States the \$4,250 used as "buy" money in the offenses. Robinson was also ordered to pay a \$200 fine, and a \$100 special assessment.

The case was investigated by Rockford offices of the Drug Enforcement Administration, with the assistance of the Boone County Sheriff's Department, Winnebago County Sheriff's Department, Rockford Police Department, and Belvidere Police Department. The case was prosecuted in federal court by Assistant United States Attorney Joseph C. Pedersen.

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